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INTER-CHURCH MEETING HELD

Many Churches of County Were Represented at the Sessions Held Here.

SEVERAL GOOD ADDRESSES

Denominational Leaders for the Work in Gratiot Were Chosen at Convention.

The meeting of the Inter Church World Movement, for Gratiot county, was held at the M. E. church, in Alma, April 7, 1920, and was attended by many representatives from St. Louis, Breckenridge, Wheeler, Ithaca, Ashley, Middleton, Riverdale and Alma.

The sessions were characterized by a deep spiritual atmosphere, and was a source of inspiration to all present. The team of workers for this section of the state consisted of Mrs. Fred Klump of Saginaw, Rev. G. V. Trapp of Grand Rapids, Rev. H. Kennedy, Detroit, Rev. O. B. Thurston of Leslie, and Rev. C. S. Knight of Pontiac. They each presented a different phase of the inter-church movement.

Mrs. Klump spoke on Woman's part in this great movement saying in part, "One-half of the membership of the entire church are women. They have been a mighty force in advancing missionary operations both at home and in foreign fields. Being pioneers in the United States of Missions and in the publication of text books for international use, they at once recognized the advantages of co-operation in the inter-church movement. She emphasized prayer as being vital to the individual Christian thereby leading to a complete consecration of time, talents and money to the cause of Christ in world evangelism. She laid great stress upon the family altar and its lasting influence upon the members of the home."

The World Survey, as presented by Rev. Trapp, on the Foreign Survey, and Rev. Thurston, on the Home Survey, gave a comprehensive view and a new conception of the world's need. Only one-half of the population of the globe has ever heard the gospel of Christ, it was brought out. While in some territories churches are overlapping, other vast regions are without church, school, or hospital, and have not even a single missionary. The maps and statistics as shown on the slides in the evening and the lecture accompanying them by Rev. Knight, told how delectable the Christian church has been in supplying these needy fields both with workers and money. The financial phase was well presented by Rev. Knight.

Rev. Kennedy spoke on personal evangelism. His address was heart searching and inspirational. One vital thought he gave was, how can we pray the Lord's prayer, when we are not willing to give ourselves and those dearest to us to help answer that prayer?

He gave several incidents of individual members doing personal work and bringing whole families into the church. He said Easter Sunday, this year, was the greatest Sunday in the history of the Christian church, in the number of people deciding for Christ, and giving themselves in church membership.

The entire session gave much food for serious thought and consideration. Denominational leaders for this country are as follows: Presbyterian, Rev. William Roberts, Ithaca; M. E., Rev. L. L. Dewey, Ithaca; Congregational, Rev. L. L. Steadman, Breckenridge; Church of Christ, Rev. J. W. Yantis, Middleton; Free Methodist, A. G. Hortle, St. Louis; Church of Brethren, Rev. Sowers, Middleton; Baptist, L. A. Sharp, Alma. The following community directors have been appointed: St. Louis, F. M. Dart; Breckenridge, Alf Crawford; North Star, Mr. Selby; Ashley, Harry Rose.

(Mrs. C. L.) Ella H. Wood.

CIVIC LEAGUE

The meeting of the Civic League last Friday at the Republic school was well attended and many topics of interest, vital to the community, were presented and freely discussed. The subject of a new depot at the station is meeting with such popular approval, that it will be impossible for the R. R. officials to long withstand it. The League is to take over several small tracts about the city, and transform them into beauty spots. The vote was unanimous that a woman candidate as member of the Board of Education be placed in the field. No argument is necessary. The report of the Public Reading Room was most encouraging and a Book Committee is at work. Watch for notice of "Public Opening," which will take place soon. Proper supervision of dances for young people and censorship of moving pictures is absolutely necessary, were also brought up.

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ACES COMING

Champs of Michigan-Ontario League Will Arrive Here Tuesday.

The Saginaw Aces, champs of the Michigan-Ontario League last season, will arrive in Alma Tuesday for their spring training work, and will be in the Gratiot burg for the ensuing three weeks, or until the day before the opening of the league season on May 12.

Manager "Red" McKee, former Detroit Tiger backstop, will gather his clan of Aces, some thirty in number, in Saginaw on Monday, and will leave there Tuesday morning for the spring workouts.

McKee has signed a good bunch of youngsters for the present season, and the expectations are that Saginaw will have a strong aggregation in the M-O league this year.

During the time that the Aces are in Alma six games are to be played with the Alma Republics. The games will all be played on Saturday and Sunday. The games will be played on the following days: Saturday, April 24; Sunday, April 25; Saturday, May 1; Sunday, May 2; Saturday, May 8; and Sunday, May 9.

A LARGE CLASS WAS INITIATED MONDAY

I. O. O. F. Initiated Class of 41 into Second Degree on Monday Evening.

Monday evening was one of the biggest initiation nights that the Alma I. O. O. F. lodge has ever had, forty-one candidates being given the second degree work by the Ithaca degree team, which was present for that purpose.

Nearly all of the candidates were members of the local lodge, seven of the forty-one being from Edgewood lodge near Ithaca, and the balance being local men.

Nearly two hundred and fifty members of the Oddfellow lodges from various parts of the country were present at the meeting Monday evening, almost ever lodge in the county being represented by large delegations.

Following the work of the evening a sumptuous banquet was served in the dining room of the I. O. O. F. hall.

WORK TOGETHER

Michigan Sectarian Institutions Participate in Movement.

Five colleges in this state are announced as having been designated to participate in the Interchurch World Movement, to train 100,000 additional recruits for life service during the next five years. These colleges are Adrian College, Alma College, Hope College, Hillsdale College and Kalamazoo College.

An Interchurch World Movement survey reveals a need for 100,000 workers for specific positions. There are now 5,000 vacancies every year in the pulpits of America and only 1,800 completely trained men coming forward to fill them.

Prior to 1840 the ministry attracted at least one-half of the graduates of the country's colleges. But it is now no exaggeration to state that in the last thirty years there has been a decrease of more than thirty per cent in the ratio of ministers to church members.

For the coming five years in the world campaign of American Protestant churches united in the Interchurch World Movement, more than 9,000 new missionaries must be recruited for the foreign fields alone. Thousands of other workers, lay and clerical, are to be obtained for churches and affiliated organizations in this country.

Most of the church workers of today—90 per cent of them—are trained in church schools and colleges. To these institutions therefore, the church must look for a large proportion of its future workers.

The question arises, have the institutions the personnel and equipment necessary to attract young men and women and to give them the kind of training that modern conditions demand? It is a matter of common knowledge that many denominational schools and colleges struggle along, year after year, without sufficient funds to compete for students and faculty with independent institutions supported by the state or by large private endowment—a condition that the Interchurch Movement will seek to remedy.

The denominational school is an asset if it keeps its educational standards high. To let those standards drop is an injustice to student, community and church.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATION

The next regular teachers' examination will be held at the Court House in the village of Ithaca, Michigan, April 29, 30, May 1, 1920, beginning at 8:00 a. m. Write me for bulletin No. 16 for general information on the examination.

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REMODELING THE GAFFNEY BLOCK

State Street Building Will Be Made into First Class Structure.

WILL TAKE THREE MONTHS

Expensive Store Front Is to Be Erected by the Kawneer Company.

The remodeling of the Gaffney block on State St., has been started by Broughton & Son, who expect to have the work completed about the middle of July, at which time the Gaffney block will be one of the finest structures of its size in the city.

While the Gaffney block is a brick structure, it is not modern, having no basement, heating plant, or the numerous other conveniences that go to make up the first class business blocks of today. The stairway to the second floor, placed in the center of the store front has divided what might otherwise be a large store room into two smaller rooms, with a frontage of about 24 feet each.

These things will all be done away with in the remodeling of the building, under the direction of Broughton & Son. Perhaps the most noticeable difference will be made in the shifting of the stairway from the center of the front to the south side of the building, permitting the two small store rooms to be made into one large room 48 feet in width by 80 feet in length.

The store front will be remodeled, naturally, as a result of the moving of the stairway, and because of an intense desire to have a store front that will not only be highly pleasing to the eye, but which will also permit the best possible display of the goods which are handled by the Gaffney-Style Shop, which is located in this structure. The store front to be installed will be constructed by the Kawneer company and will be of the latest and most approved type. From each end of the store will be a deep display window, which several feet from the sides will cut back several feet, and then again continue towards the center, where a large door will be placed for the store entrance. Directly in front of this door will be a showcase nearly sixteen feet in length, and around the ends of this and at the back of it will be a corridor, thus made between the case and the display windows, where they turn back towards the store. This will be given a tile floor. The display windows and the large showcase will all have a twelve inch base of gray marble. Brass trimmings will be used for the showcase, display windows and the entrance door.

Over the display windows will be placed prism glass, which will reflect light back into the store, making possible better lighting effects than could otherwise be secured. A basement will be dug under the south part of the building and a steam heating plant will be installed, which will furnish the heat for the entire structure.

The floors, both of the first floor and on the second floor will be constructed of hardwood.

The second floor will be divided into office suites, according to present plans, except for a stock room, at the rear of the second floor, which will be 30 by 40 feet.

Mrs. S. Gaffney, proprietor of the Gaffney Style Shop, and owner of the building, has moved her stock of goods into the north store, while the remodeling is being done at the south end, and then the goods will be moved into the south half of the store until the work at the north end has been brought to completion.

It is expected that the entire work will be completed about the middle of July.

CROSBY-FIELD

Before the cozy Wright Hall fireplace, members of the faculty and guests gathered on Saturday afternoon, April 10th. Pink candles, firelight, and on the table a large basket of exquisite roses, gave a delicate charm to the atmosphere.

Miss Grace Roberts, head of the Piano Department, was hostess. She announced in a most original and delightful way the engagement of Miss Hazel Crosby of the Piano Department, to Paul L. Field, Director of Athletics at Albion College, by presenting her guests with dainty sweet pea bouquets to which were fastened the cards of Miss Crosby and Mr. Field.

The guests present were: Mrs. A. E. Crosby of Merrill, Miss Louise Call of Lansing, Mrs. H. M. Crooks, Mrs. Chas. Rhodes, Mrs. Henry Soule, Mrs. Alger Wood, and Mrs. Carlyle Carr, of Alma, and Dean Roberts, Miss Pollock, Miss Ward, Miss Conyne, Miss Morrison, and Miss Ritter, of Wright Hall.

It is with pleasure that Alma College remembers "Ike" Field who coached the baseball team last spring, and extends to him hearty congratulations.

To our own Miss Crosby we wish much joy and happiness.

ANNOUNCE SCHEDULE

High Schoolers Have Good List of Base Ball Games Carded.

With the expectations of a good strong baseball team, Coach Mullin of the Alma high school team, has listed a strong schedule for the spring season, nine games being on the bill at the present time.

Indications are that the local high schoolers will have a far stronger nine than last year. Six veterans will be available in Stearns, Hyde, Lyons Lee Lyons, Creech and Cross, who with a score of new men are working out daily under the direction of Coach Mullin.

Among the new men who give promise of being able to show stuff enough to cop places on the team are Chapin, a pitcher, Ellis, a catcher, Wilk, who gives promise of developing into a good hurler; and Welch.

The schedule will not open until May 1, when the Orange and Black will start off the year with Mt. Pleasant at Mt. Pleasant.

The schedule follows:
May 1—Mt. Pleasant at Mt. Pleasant.
May 7—Shepherd High at Shepherd.
May 11—Ithaca High at Alma.
May 19—St. Louis High at Alma.
May 22—Mt. Pleasant High at Alma.
May 25—Ithaca High at Ithaca.
May 29—Midland High at Midland.
June 4—St. Louis High at St. Louis.
June 9—Shepherd High at Alma.

OLD ALMA RESIDENT

DIED ON SATURDAY

Mrs. David McCarty, Pioneer of County Died at Her Home Saturday.

Mrs. David McCarty, for many years a highly respected resident of this city, died at her home here Saturday at the age of 84 years.

Mary Jane LaPaugh McCarty was born in Salem, Washtenaw county, Michigan, in 1835 and departed this life April 10, being over 84 years of age at the time of her death.

On January 1, 1853 she was united in marriage to Solomon LaPaugh and to this union two sons and four daughters were born. The husband, two daughters and one son preceded her in death some years ago. One son, Charles of Sumner, and two daughters, Mrs. E. Carman of St. Louis, and Mrs. A. B. DuBois of Glendale, California, together with seventeen grandchildren, and one sister, Mrs. George Emley of Long Beach, Cal., survive her.

Mr. LaPaugh having died January 13, 1910, she was reunited in marriage to David McCarty and he also mourns the loss of his companion and helpmate.

Early in life she was united with the Church and Christ, of which she has been a consistent member ever since.

The funeral was held Monday afternoon from the late home.

DEBATE FRIDAY NIGHT

Friday night, April 16, Alma's debating teams, both affirmative and negative will clash with Kalamazoo and Hope colleges respectively. The bone of contention is Resolved: That the U. S. should adopt a system of compulsory arbitration for the settlement of labor disputes in basic industries.

The affirmative team, consisting of Sharrar, Boyne and Olmstead will debate Kalamazoo in the College chapel. The subject is an interesting one and a hard battle can be promised for the entertainment and instruction of all who attend. The negative team, consisting of Cash, Barnhart, and Vreeland will journey to Holland there to clash with Hope's affirmative team. Only a short time has been available for preparation and the Glee Club trip coming when it did has still further disarranged matters, nevertheless two highly interesting skirmishes are looked for.

As in all athletic forms of inter-collegiate activity the spirit of the audience present is a large factor in determining the outcome of the contest, so a large and enthusiastic audience out to hear our affirmative team Friday night will be a big help to them in their efforts there. Let's all turn out and hear them.

COOK IS SUPERVISOR

At a special meeting of the city commission held Saturday, Professor Albert P. Cook of Alma College, former mayor of the city, was named as supervisor of the third ward, the commission unanimously confirming the appointment that Mayor Murphy made.

Mayor Murphy, true to the spirit of the commission form of city government, laid down party lines in the selection of Professor Cook, the latter being a strong Republican. Mayor Murphy felt, however, that no stronger man for supervisor could be picked from the third ward than Professor Cook. Those who know Professor Cook feel certain that he will make one of the strongest supervisors that Alma has ever had on the county board, and one who will prove to be highly efficient.

BERMAN STARTS NEW STRUCTURE

Work on Large Two Story Business Block Was Started Wednesday.

IS TO BE BUILT OF BRICK

Will Be Large Enough to Provide for Two Stores on the First Floor.

The construction of a new two story business block was started here on Wednesday morning by Benjamin Berman, which promises to be a welcome addition to the business district of the city, as it will probably be divided on the first floor to make room for two stores.

The building will be located on the north side of East Superior street, just to the west of the Montigel hardware building. Mr. Berman stated yesterday that the building would be 50 feet in length, and that it would have a frontage on Superior street of 52 feet. The building will be two stories and basement in height, and will be constructed, for the greater part at least, of brick. It is to have a pressed brick front of neat design.

At the present time there is some question in the mind of Mr. Berman whether or not to divide the first floor into two store rooms 26 feet in width, or to leave the first floor in one large room for a store. It is rather expected, however, that he will decide to finish the first floor so as to make it available for two stores.

It is the intention of Mr. Berman to rush the building as rapidly as is consistent with good building, and he is in hopes that the building will be completed within the next two months.

DEMOCRATIC POSSIBILITIES

Some time ago a number of Republican newspapers published brief biographies of prominent Republicans who are aspirants for the Presidential nomination or who are being urged by their admirers as suitable persons for the nomination. For the information of our readers we take pleasure in presenting herewith a brief biography of each of the men generally considered a possible nominee on the Democratic ticket:

Bryan, William Jennings—Age 60; Born Salem, Illinois; Home, Lincoln, Nebraska; Graduated from Illinois College 1881, A. B. 1884, A. M.; Union College of Law, Chicago, 1883, LL. B.; Occupation, Publicist, Member Congress 1891-1895, Delegate National Convention 1896, nominee for President 1896, 1900, and 1908, Secretary of State March 4, 1913; June 9, 1915, resigned.

Gerard, James Watson—Age 53; Born Geneseo, New York; Graduated from Columbia, 1890, A. B., 1891 A. M., New York Law School 1892, LL. B.; Occupation, lawyer, Associate Justice Supreme Court 1908-1913; Ambassador to Germany 1915-1919; Democratic nominee for U. S. Senate while absent in Berlin, 1914.

Hitchcock, Gilbert Monell—Age 60; Born Omaha, Nebraska; Graduated from University of Michigan, 1881, LL. B., educated in Omaha and Baden-Baden, Germany; Occupation, editor; Member of Congress 1903-1911, U. S. Senator 1911-1923.

Hoover, Herbert Clark—Age 46; Born West Branch, Iowa; Graduated from Leland Stanford Jr. University, 1895, B. A.; Occupation, Mining Engineer; U. S. Geological Survey 1895; Engaged in mining and other corporate undertakings in Australia and China, 1897-1901, Managing engineer British Mining companies 1902-1914, with headquarters in London, European relief work, 1914-1916; Food Administrator 1917-1919.

McAdoo, William Gibbs—Age 56; Born near Marietta, Georgia; Educated at University of Tennessee; Occupation, lawyer, Deputy Clerk U. S. Circuit Court Tennessee, 1882, admitted to bar 1885, President, Director of Hudson and Manhattan Railroad Co., Delegate Democratic National Convention Baltimore 1912, Vice Chairman National Committee 1912, Secretary of the Treasury 1913-1919, Director General of Railways 1917-1919.

Palmer, A. Mitchell—Age 48; Born Moosehead, Penn.; Graduated from Swarthmore College 1891, A. B.; Admitted to bar in 1893, Member Congress 1900-1915, Judge U. S. Court of Claims 1915, Alien property custodian 1917, Member Executive Committee Democratic National Committee 1912-1920, Attorney General 1919-1920.

Underwood, Oscar W.—Age 58; Born Louisville, Kentucky; Home, Birmingham, Alabama; Occupation, lawyer; educated, Rugby School, Louisville, and University of Virginia; Chairman Democratic Executive Committee, Ninth District Alabama 1892, Congress 1895-1915, U. S. Senator, term 1915-1921.

Wilson, Woodrow—Age 63; Born Staunton, Virginia; Home, Princeton, New Jersey; Graduated from Davidson College 1874, Princeton 1879, A. B., 1882 A. M., University of Virginia in Law 1881, College Professor 1885-1910, Governor of New Jersey 1911-1913, President 1913-1921.

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NELSON PRESIDENT

Alma Man Elected President of the Michigan Northern Railroad.

At the first annual meeting of the stockholders of the Michigan Northern Railroad, held last Thursday at Maple Rapids, Clinton Nelson of this city, who has been connected with the proposed railroad since its inception a year ago, was elected president of the company.

The officers elected at the meeting were: President, Clinton Nelson of Alma; treasurer, Isaac Hewitt of Maple Rapids; secretary, C. A. Hervey of Lansing; comptroller, W. D. Paterson of Lansing; manager of industrial and public relations, Charles F. Warden of Lansing; general superintendent and traffic manager, Roy D. Darwin of Lansing; counsel, Frank L. Dodge of Lansing.

The directors elected were Charles F. Warden, chairman; C. A. Hervey, W. D. Paterson, John B. Spitzley of Westphalia, Isaac Hewitt, D. H. Beckwith of Perinton, Clinton Nelson and Fred W. Hooper of Alma.

COLLEGE TEAM TO OPEN SEASON

Maroon and Cream Nine Will Meet Ypsilanti Normals on Teachers' Field.

The Alma College baseball aggregation will open the 1920 season Saturday, meeting the Michigan State Normal nine at Ypsilanti, in what is expected to be a hard fought contest.

The Teachers are reputed to have one of their usually strong aggregations, and it is certain that the Maroon and Cream team will be forced to step some to pick off the honors in the opener. The Ypsi Normal nine is now a member of the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association, having been voted into the collegiate circle a few weeks ago by the unanimous vote of the colleges. Ypsi replaces Olivet, which closed last June.

While there are ten veteran baseball men in college, two of them have not been out for the team, these being Williams and Gaffney, outfielder and second sacker.

This has given Coach Wood eight vets to work with, Captain Eddie Boyne, Crittenden, Cash, pitchers; Tomlin, catcher and third sacker; Ex-captain Hebert, third sacker; Dunning, short; and Richards and Vender, outfielders.

It is not certain that all of these men will be able to hold their places on the team this year as some of the new men are forcing them to the limit. In one case eligibility may hit the team.

Scott of Sandusky, who is seeking the first base job, has been displaying some good form, and it is expected that he will start against the Teachers at this position. Howe of Alma, may start at short, and Dalgrin of Newberry will probably get a chance to show his stuff at second.

It is expected that Crittenden, regarded as one of the best hurlers in the Michigan Intercollegiate, will be selected to pitch against Ypsi. The Alma star is looking better than ever, and should have little trouble with the men that Rynearson will send onto the diamond to uphold the honor of Ypsi.

SHOULD HELP

Army Is Discharging Many Men Trained For Farm Work.

In view of the serious shortage of farm help throughout the country, a condition which is daily said to be growing worse despite the numerous proposals and schemes put forth as a solution of the problem, it is being pointed out that the Regular Army is today the only national institution in the country that is actually doing something to remedy the situation instead of merely offering ideas.

Hundreds of men are and are about to be discharged from the Army who have been given thorough and modern instruction in agriculture, farm mechanics and management, animal husbandry and other agricultural phases in scientific and up-to-date methods. It has been declared that these men being turned out by the Army, many of whom had never before been on a farm prior to enlisting, are even more efficient as a result of having had this modern instruction than youths born and reared to the soil. Many of them took advantage of the one year enlistment ruling, and are now ready to take their places among the agricultural producers of the nation, thus offering a solution to the country-wide cry: "How're You Goin' to Keep 'em Down on the Farm?"

In addition to the numerous posts and camps offering courses in tractor operating and other every-day features of up-to-date farm life, the activities of two of them, Camp Dodge and Camp Funston, are cited as an indication of what the Army is doing to solve the problem. At Camp Funston, Kas., are courses in farm mechanics, farm management and accounting, animal husbandry, horticulture and landscape gardening which are conceded to be of the very highest order. The work is not all theoretical but instead actual practice is also given. The camp maintains its own lands for experimental purposes and has herds of various kinds of cattle, with the latest improved methods of studying all angles on the live-stock game.

STRIKE MIGHT HIT REPUBLIC

Walkout of Rail Workers May Possibly Force Plant to Close.

HOPE FOR ENOUGH MATERIAL

Fleet of Trucks to Be Used to Bring Parts Overland to the Factory.

It is the hope of the officials of The Republic Motor Truck Company, Inc., to keep the big Alma industry going in spite of the severe tie-up of materials, and the hardships entailed in making deliveries because of the railroad strike, which is assuming such serious proportions.

It is the intention of the company, wherever it is possible to make deliveries of trucks by overland routes, and it is rather expected that by this method most of the trucks, as they are completed, can be sent out and put into use.

The big problem that The Republic Motor Truck Company Inc., will be forced to face will be in securing parts, but ever possible effort is being made to meet this serious problem. A great fleet of trucks is being put in readiness to go overland after parts for the concern, some to Detroit, some to Grand Rapids and Muskegon, and perhaps some to other points.

Naturally, how long the Republic will be able to run will depend upon the length of the railroad strike, or that the length of time that the various parts company's are able to furnish parts for the company here. If the strike continues over a very long period it is certain to close down most of the industries of the country, and without a doubt would force The Republic Motor Truck Company Inc., to suspend operations.

The big hope is, however, that the strike will be of short duration, and that the parts companies will not be forced to close. There is no certainty of a speedy end to the strike, however, but The Republic expects to put forth ever effort to keep material on hand so that it can continue to operate.

One prominent official of the company stated Wednesday that it would be most advisable for the employees to save all the money that they possibly could, in view of the strike being serious enough to close down the local plant, and throw them out of work temporarily.

REPUBLICS OUT

Candidates for Republic Base Ball Team Seeking Jobs.

With only a little more than one week before the Republics open the local season with the Saginaw Aces on Republic field, Manager Olmsted is beginning to put the dozen and a half candidates for the team through the paces in great shape in the out door workouts which are now being held daily.

Little work has been secured as yet on the diamond, which is being worked over to make it faster than ever before, but it will be ready for the daily workouts the first of the week, and promises to make one of the speediest diamonds in this part of the state.

Such workouts as have been secured indicate that Manager Olmsted has secured some highly valuable material in the new men who have been secured for the aggregation, and these with the veteran players should form a team that will be by far the strongest that has ever represented an Alma institution.

One thing that is certain to be pleasing to the Alma fans is the announcement that "Marty" Becker, third sacker last year, will be on the job again this year. Manager Olmsted plans on using this speed king in the outer garden, however, along with Chouinard and Oakes.

On the infield LaFleur will without question be at first base; Tonley, the veteran Republican, will be back at second, and Loney, a newcomer at third. "Runt" Smith, the Alma product, is seemingly slated for the job at short.

Boyle and Miedell are expected to divide the work behind the bat, and will do the receiving for Hagerman, Freeman, Sherlow and Truckey.

Manager Olmsted is anxious to meet the Saginaw Aces in the six battles which have been scheduled for the next three weeks and feels confident that his team will walk off with over half of the games.

INTERCHURCH CONFERENCE

An Interchurch Conference will be held Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock at the First Presbyterian church of this city. Outside speakers will be present to make addresses on the interchurch movement, and its relation to Alma. Everyone is invited to attend this meeting.

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